

25. A seating-order determination device according to Claim 22, wherein the grouping is performed according to the statistical relationship between a group structure and the degree of attention which the user of each communication device pays to the information sent from the other communication devices.

26. A communication device in a communication system including at least three communication devices communicating with each other, comprising:

receiving means for receiving information and seating-order information sent from other communication devices;

attention-degree-information generating means for detecting the degree of attention which the user pays to the information sent from the other communication devices to generate attention-degree information;

transmitting means for transmitting the attention-degree information generated by the attention-degree-information generating means;

presenting means for presenting the information sent from the other communication devices; and

information manipulation and distribution means for controlling the output positions of the information sent from the other communication devices according to the

seating-order information received by the receiving means to output the information sent from the other communication devices in a seating order corresponding to the seating-order information.

27. A communication device according to Claim 26,

wherein, when the seating order is changed according to the seating-order information, the information manipulation and distribution means outputs indication information indicating a change in the seating order to the user.

28. A communication device according to Claim 27,

wherein the indication information is image information.

29. A communication device according to Claim 27,

wherein the indication information is audio information.

30. A communication device according to Claim 27,

wherein the indication information includes image information and audio information.

31. A communication device according to Claim 26,

wherein the information manipulation and distribution means outputs indication information indicating the state of grouping, which is a basis of the seating information,

applied to the information sent from the other communication devices, to the user.

32. A communication device according to Claim 31, wherein the indication information is background image information obtained when the information sent from the other communication devices is output.

33. A communication device according to Claim 32, wherein the background image information is generated such that information belonging to the same group has the same background color.

34. A communication device according to Claim 26, wherein the attention-degree-information generating means generates the attention-degree information according to user-behavior detection information or information specified by the user.

35. A communication device according to Claim 34, wherein the user-behavior detection information includes user-sight-line detection information.

36. A communication device according to Claim 34, wherein the user-behavior detection information includes